

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please rewrite the paragraph that appears at page 13, line 25, through page 14, line 13, as follows:

--Font data, etc., used when the above-described output information is generated is stored in a font ROM of ROM 13. If the external memory 14 such as a hard disk is not provided, information and the like utilized by the host computer 300 is stored in a data ROM of ROM 13. The CPU 12, which is capable of communicating with the host computer 300 via the input unit 18, is so as adapted as to be capable of reporting information within the laser printer 310 to the host computer 300. A RAM 19 functions as the main memory and work area[[t]], etc., of the CPU 12 and is so adapted that its memory capacity can be extended by optional RAM connected to an expansion port (not shown). It should be noted that RAM 19 is used as an area for expanding output information, an area for storing environment data and an NVRAM.--